

# Sexually Violent Predator Bills Killed by Legislative Democrats

## 2005

In 2005, several measures were introduced that dealt with the glaring deficiencies in California's sexually violent predator laws. These measures were killed in either the Senate Public Safety Committee or the Assembly Public Safety Committee.

- **SB 864 (Poochigian):** Would have increased the commitment term for individuals who have been deemed Sexually Violent Predators from a maximum two-year duration to a maximum seven-year commitment. Additionally, SB 864 would have ensured that, when a SVP is released from custody, they are subject to parole supervision.

**Status:** This measure was watered down by the Senate Public Safety Committee to eliminate the parole supervision piece and moved the commitment term from seven to four years. Died in the Assembly Public Safety Committee on a party-line vote. SB 864 is still eligible to be heard by the committee.

- **SB 865 (Poochigian):** Would have added continuous sexual abuse of a child and attempted sex crimes to the prerequisite crimes to the type of offenses that trigger a SVP designation.

**Status:** Failed passage in the Senate Public Safety Committee.

- **AB 603 (Spitzer)** would have ensured that, when a SVP is released from custody, they are subject to parole supervision.

**Status:** Failed passage in the Assembly Public Safety Committee.

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Additionally, in January, less than a month ago, the same committees killed measures that would have also addressed these concerns:

- **SB 231 (Runner):** Would have increased the commitment term for individuals who have been deemed Sexually Violent Predators from a maximum two-year duration to an indeterminate commitment. Additionally, would have ensured that, when a SVP is released from custody, they are subject to parole supervision and would have reduced the number of offenses needed to qualify as a SVP from 2 to 1.

**Status:** Failed passage in the Assembly Public Safety Committee.

- **SB 588 (Runner):** Would have increased the commitment term for individuals who have been deemed Sexually Violent Predators from a maximum two-year duration to an indeterminate commitment. Additionally, would have ensured that, when a SVP is released from custody, they are subject to parole supervision and would have reduced the number of offenses needed to qualify as a SVP from 2 to 1.

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